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Applicant: Stoutenborough et al.

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LOCKING SYSTEM

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

This Reply and Amendment is submitted in complete response to the Final Office Action dated July 18, 2000.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims ~~1~~, ~~28-31~~, and ~~32~~ without prejudice to further prosecution on the merits. Please amend claims 3, 6, 20, 26, 32, 41-46, and 48 as follows:

- 1 ~~3.~~ [The locking system of Claim 1 wherein] A locking system,
2 comprising:
3 a base lock member moveable between a first position and a
4 second position;
5 a first input device;
6 an activation device; and
7 at least one secondary lock member having a first secondary lock
8 position and a second secondary lock position,

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